

New York Stock Market

New York, March 20.—Prospects of an early settlement of the British coal strike, increasing signs that our own coal dispute may be amicably adjusted, and further advances in copper, metal, lead and finished iron and steel imparted a considerable degree of strength and activity to the stock market today. The buying was of a more speculative nature than yesterday.

Continuing to originate with conservative investors and the large institutions which have held aloft because of seemingly adverse industrial and political conditions.

Further evidence of this country's steady growth in exports as disclosed in the Federal statement, was another factor of favorable import.

The rise in the copper naturally provoked some discussion regarding future dividend disbursements of Amalgamated Copper and American Smelting. While nothing definite is established, it is believed that the amalgamated directors will increase the dividend rate, with no change in dividends.

The rise in United States Steel was due to better demand for all kinds of products, a condition which served to realize the enormous gains for 1911, disclosing an enormous falling off in total business for that year.

Union Pacific, Reading, Lehigh Valley and United States Steel attained their peaks.

There was also some inquiry for New York Central and for Baltimore and Ohio, which reported favorable earnings for February.

Atchison and American Sugar.

The closing was almost buoyant and in no instance of importance were gains made more than a fraction below the last day.

There was a better inquiry for bonds, especially of the convertible class. Allis-Chalmers, 5s, made a sharp recovery on announcements of friendly relationships with its bondholders and sold at 8 1/2 equal. Total sales for the day aggregated \$2,990,000.

Total sales of stocks for the day, 1,000 shares.

New York, March 20.—Money on call firms, 3 per cent, continued high and closed 100-102, offered a 100-102. Time loans strong, sixteen days, 104-105; ninety days, 3 1/2; six months, 104-105; three years, 104-105.

Prime mercantile paper, 104-105 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in banks' bills at \$4,515 for sixty-day bills and \$1,510 for demand. Commercial bills at \$1,325-1,325. Mexican dollars, 17.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

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Richmond, Va., March 20, 1912.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Centuries—\$100 at 55. 1000 at 55.

STATE SECURITIES. Bid, Asked.

Virginia St. Old C. and R. 100—57. 37.

Virginia St. C. and R. 1901—57. 37.

HARBOUR BONDS.

V. C. L. R. R. Con. Tr. C. C. —50.

A. & G. Coal, Dist. Co. 100—50.

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Georgia and West. Ry. 100—50.

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Nor. and West. Ry. 100—50.

Southern Ry. 100—50.

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W. & D. & G. M. Co. 100—50.

STREET RAILWAY BONDS.

N. Y. and Ports. Trac. Co. 100—50.

N. Y. Ry. and Power Co. 100—50.

STREET RY. BONDS. 100.

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HARBOUR BONDS. Part.

Atlantic Coast Line com.—100.

Capitol and Ohio—100.

Norfolk and Western com.—100.

Baltimore Harbor pid.—100.

BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.

American National—100.

Broad Street—100.

Bank of Commerce and Trusts—100.

First National—100.

Hancock National—100.

National—100.

National Bank of Virginia—100.

National State and City Bank—100.

Charters National—100.

Virginia Bank of Richmond—100.

Virginia Natl. Com.—100.

West. Ind. Natl. Bank—100.

Guaranteed Bank and Trust Co.—100.

Central National Bank—100.

Commercial Bank—100.

Insurance Companies—100.

Carroll Chem. Mfg. Co.—100.

BOND LIST.

Allis-Chalmers—100.

Atlantic Coast Line 1st 6.

Atlanta and N. C. 1st 6.

Atlanta and N. C. in the Baltimore and Ohio—100.

British American Gas—100.

Brown & Root—100.

C. & G. Motor Co.—100.

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